

FINAL
Prosser Public Library
Library Board of Directors Meeting
February 2, 2010

Chairperson Nancy Kamins called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. Present were Howard Frydman, Nancy Kamins, Roberta LaMonaca, Beatrice Llewellyn, Beverlee Merritt, Joan Politis and Paula Walek. Judith Poliner, representative for the Friends of the Bloomfield Libraries was also present.

Motion was made by Beatrice Llewellyn, seconded by Howard Frydman to accept the minutes of the January 12, 2010 meeting. Approved.

There were no public statements.

N. Kamins, Chairperson had no comments.

R. LaMonaca thanked Board members for attending the meeting with Louie Chapman to discuss the possibility of a new library building. The outcome of the meeting was very positive. Louie had suggested at that meeting that the Friends of the Bloomfield Libraries ask the town council to match funds towards a project to build a new library. Discussion followed regarding value of committing Friends money towards a feasibility study rather than something more tangible, such as the cost of building a new wing. The Friends will review the recommendations at their February 4th meeting and come up with a decision.

Roberta will attend a State Library workshop for library space planning in March.

The Bloomfield libraries have been allocated \$2,318 in State aid for 2010. The funds will go towards the materials budget.

A possible crisis was averted prior to the MLK weekend when library staff discovered overhead pipes leaking in the Children's room and the Town Maintenance Department were called in to make the repairs. Cost of repairs was approximately \$10,000.

On February 16th, Bloomfield libraries will participate in statewide program entitled "Snapshot" - a program to collect information from patrons in order to capture the impact that Connecticut libraries have on their communities on a typical day. Joan Politis and Paula Walek volunteered to participate in this program.

Under New Business, it was tentatively agreed that the Employee Performance Evaluation of R. LaMonaca will be completed at the April meeting of the Board.

H. Frydman floated the idea of planning for special activities to celebrate the 50th year of the incorporation of the Prosser Library.

Board members expressed a desire to determine what their duties are by law. Paula Walek will check a document that she has.

Motion made by Howard Frydman to adjourn the meeting and seconded by B. Llewellyn at 5:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Johnson
filling in for Sandra Vik,
Secretary to the Board